

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend paragraph [0030] as follows:

[0030] The present invention is further applied to a liquid crystal display which employs the above improved surface light source device of the side light type for illuminating a liquid crystal display panel to realize a bright and high-quality display. In particular, it is preferable to adopt the above improved surface light source device of side light type in a front-lighting arrangement for the liquid crystal display panel.